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<u>Testimony on Senate Bill 1</u> <u>"Gun Safety Act of 2023"</u> Senate Judicial Proceedings Committee

Position: Favorable

Maryland Nonprofits is a statewide association of more than 1500 nonprofit organizations and institutions. We urge you to support Senate Bill 1, The Gun Safety Act of 2023.

The recent changes in federal law from U.S. Supreme Court's "Bruen" put us all at increased risk of gun violence and we must act to counter those risks. The dramatic increase in the number of Wear and Carry Permits sought and granted since Bruen is alarming.

Senate Bill 1 will strengthen what Bruen has weakened by helping keep guns out of the hands of violent people and out of sensitive public places.

We strongly urge you to give Senate Bill 1 a favorable report.

